



STATE OF ARIZONA

JANICE K. BREWER
GOVERNOR

EXECUTIVE OFFICE

April 5, 2013

The Honorable Andy Tobin
Speaker of the House
Arizona House of Representatives
1700 West Washington
Phoenix, Arizona 85007

House Bill 2578 (licensing; accountability; penalties; exceeding regulation)

Dear Speaker Tobin,

Today, I vetoed House Bill 2578 (licensing; accountability; penalties; exceeding regulation). This legislation would establish penalties for government employees who base licensing decisions on requirements not specified in statute, rule, ordinance or code.

I believe this bill to be both punitive and unnecessary. Arizona law already prohibits agencies, counties, municipalities, and flood control districts from issuing a licensing decision based on a requirement not specially authorized by statute, rule, ordinance or code. Well-established administrative and judicial processes also exist to remedy an improper licensing decision.

These concerns are among the primary reasons I have vetoed House Bill 2578.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janice K. Brewer".

Janice K. Brewer
Governor

cc: The Honorable Andy Biggs
The Honorable Warren Petersen